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At the Missouri Department of Higher Education, we are dedicated to "Building Missouri's future... by degrees." We are committed to providing online resources and information to help financial aid personnel better serve Missouri students, families, and schools.

Located within the *Planning & Paying for College* tab on our home page, The Financial Aid Officers Box offers a variety of tools specifically designed to provide efficient support to your busy financial aid office. Information is resourcefully grouped together so that you can easily find the details you're looking for.

MODEL Direct

Gain quick access to MODEL Direct, the easy-to-use Web interface which allows MDHE clients to update data directly to the system database. Our contacts list directs you to trained staff ready to assist with your loan processing questions, while the resources page provides frequently asked questions, user guides, online forms ordering, and lender and guarantor process flow charts.

ATOM

Learn more about ATOM, the enhanced student loan disbursing system. Profile-driven, ATOM offers institutions comprehensive functionality & optimal disbursement flexibility.

Student Financial Aid Forms

Look here for downloads of the Marguerite Ross Barnett application and employment verification form, as well as the State Grant and Scholarship Institutional Refund Form.

Student Loan Forms

Easily order or download forms to assist you in administering the federal student loan programs. This section is a quick resource if you are looking for the latest versions of the Plain Language Disclosures (PLDs) or need to order paper Master Promissory Notes (MPNs), deferment forms, or other student loan related forms.

Compliance

Take note of this area for an extensive collection of important resources about regulatory and legislative issues important to Missouri institutions. It also features frequently asked questions presented by real Missouri institutions and answered by the MDHE.

Publications

Order a variety of publications, free of charge, to assist in providing students with information about financial assistance, debt management, and default prevention. Ordering is easy with our online publication form. (See back for more details.)

Training Services

Learn how to take advantage of our regional training workshops, speakers bureau, planning and paying for college seminars, and other free training opportunities for Missouri's financial aid community.

Default Prevention

Discover the top 10 "Best Practices" in default prevention and pick up tips for financial literacy and debt management. Free, customized training on calculating, monitoring, and managing your school's default rates can also be requested using our simple online request form.

MDHE Digest

Get the scoop on news impacting financial aid offices with this monthly online newsletter. Topics include: Missouri News, National News, Default Prevention, Training & Events, What's New?, Compliance Q&A, Product News, and Staff News.

Let the MDHE Help You

Check here for additional programs, services, and tools available to help you better serve your students. The site's newest feature is an expanded and enhanced FFELP lender list, providing Federal Default Fee (FDF) and Origination Fee (OFee) subsidy information as well as servicer details.

Missouri Legislative Updates

View this area every Friday during the legislative session for weekly higher education updates.

Client Service Representatives

Come to us for personalized assistance for your financial aid office. Field staff are available for training and support with processing issues or policy questions. Consult our user-friendly map for the client service representative nearest you.

Links/Resources

Tap into other useful sites by choosing this option along the left-hand side of our home page. Links have been categorized to provide the resources that best meet your specific needs. Among other helpful links, financial aid professionals will find links to the Common Manual, FSA Coach, and Loan Discount Analyzer.

Items available on the MDHE Publications Order Form

http://www.dhe.mo.gov/publications.shtml

The following resources are available free to financial aid officers.

The Source: MDHE's Guide to grants, scholarships, loans and more-Outlines all of the state student financial assistance programs

Smart Approach to Student Loans and Consumer Debt-

A comprehensive guide to understanding a student loan from start to finish

Entrance Counseling Workbook-

A step-by-step guide to understanding the responsibilities of a student loan

Exit Counseling Workbook-

An easy-to-read workbook that explains the ins and outs of repaying a student loan

MYF Online Stafford Entrance Counseling Leaflet-

A guide for completing entrance counseling online through Mapping Your Future

MYF Online Stafford Exit Counseling Leaflet-

A guide to completing student loan exit counseling online through Mapping Your Future

Mapping Your Future 10 Financial Fitness Tools-

Easy tips to help you learn more about personal finance



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